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The Honorable Henry Kissinger  
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Dear Mr. Secretary:

Enclosed is a copy of a letter I have received from Mr. and Mrs. Edmund C. Hormann concerning the circumstances surrounding the death of their son, Charles. Charles Hormann was residing in Chile when he died. Mr. Hormann's letter suggests there is serious question whether, at the time of the coup, the Embassy in Santiago did everything it could to protect Charles Hormann, as well as other Americans.

As you know the subcommittees on Inter-American Affairs and International Organizations and Movements have completed a series of hearings on the human rights situation in Chile. Due to time limitations we were not able to pursue the above matter. However, if possible, I would like to include the Department's response to Mr. Hormann's questions in the record of the hearings.

Following are the supplementary questions that Mr. Hormann conveyed to us by telephone:

1. Why did Colonel P. J. Ryan of Milgrpvina remove the registration cards of Charles Hormann from the Hotel Miramar?
2. Why did Colonel Ryan bring to the hotel a woman who he said was the mother of a Chilean woman who stayed at the hotel with Charles Hormann?

With best wishes, I am

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Sincerely yours,

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 Donald M. Fraser  
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